

<https://www.calgary.ca/bylaws/street-harassment.html>

How the bylaw will work

Enforceable in public spaces

Beginning June 1, 2022, the Public Behaviour Bylaw 54M2006 restricts harassment of another person in a public space.

In the bylaw, to 'harass' is defined as:

Communicating with a person in a manner that could reasonably cause offence or humiliation, including conduct, comment, or actions that refers to the person's:

- *race/colour/ancestry/place of origin*
- *religious beliefs*
- *disability*
- *age*
- *marital status*
- *source of income*
- *family status*
- *gender/gender identity/gender expression*
- *sexual orientation;*
- *or includes a sexual solicitation or advance*

This can include but is not limited to:

- *Personalized attacks*
- *Insults or slurs*
- *Obscene behaviours or comments*
- *Behaviour designed to humiliate and intimidate*
- *Interference with someone's use of a public space*

The [bylaw](#) applies to any instance of harassment behaviour in a space within Calgary where the public has access. This includes businesses such as restaurants, on sidewalks, in libraries, etc.

Infractions carry a fine of \$500, which is meant to act as a deterrent of the behaviour.

Every report and potential violation of this [bylaw](#) will be approached seriously and investigated.